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NAKAI et al.

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING SUBSTANCE  
UTILIZING MICROORGANISM

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**REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING BEFORE  
THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby requests an oral hearing before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences in the appeal in the above-captioned patent application.

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 A Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is enclosed herewith.

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